

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
Date	Thursday September 17, 2015
Time	8:00am – 9:30 a.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol Complex, East Building, Copper Room
Members Present	Pat Berckman, Chris Crowder, Matthew Davies, Gini Highfield, Anthony Johnson, Spencer Larsen, Lincoln Nehring, James Toledo for Shirlee Silversmith, Pam Vickrey, Debbie Whitlock
Members Excused	Chief Steve Anjewierden, Nindy Le
Members Absent	Brent Platt, Troy Rawlings, Rachael Skidmore, Van Nguyen
Staff	Toni Gray, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen Visitors: Christian Sarver from UCJC, Erin Becker Worwood (UCJC)
Agenda Item	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes	Gini Highfield called the meeting to order and conducted the meeting until Spencer Larsen arrived. Members introduced themselves and welcomed Lincoln Nehring as a new member. Debbie Whitlock made the motion to approve the August 20, 2015 meeting minutes. Chris Crowder seconded the motion which passed unanimously .
Agenda Item	UBJJ Subcommittee Reports/Update (tape 4:35)
Notes	<p>DMC Subcommittee – Toni Gray stated that she attended the School-based Law Enforcement Train the Trainer meeting, which was well attended. The Canyons and Jordan School Districts have implemented the curriculum districtwide. SLC School District is scheduling the training. The DMC Subcommittee is working with local working groups to implement the curriculum in Utah and Weber Counties. The next step is for statewide training to take place. This will take some planning. DMC Subcommittee will seek CCJJ's support.</p> <p>DtWT Subcommittee – Cuong reported that the 2016 DtWT Challenge information has been updated on the website. Cuong contacted Travis Cook at the State Office of Education to promote DtWT. Outreach is being done to alternative schools and youth in custody to encourage participation. Matt Davies suggested getting juvenile court judges to assign some early intervention and detention youth to write an essay. Pam will find out when the next <i>Table of Ten</i> meeting will be so we can approach Juvenile Court for opinion on the matter.</p>
Agenda Item	2015 Sharp Data (tape 16:30)
Notes	<p>Pam Vickrey spoke about the SB 167 (shackling) workgroup that met in June. They met again recently to discuss developing a guideline to give to the counties on how to create a model contract and encourage that certain types of data be collected. Juvenile Court is seeking data on the number of youth represented by counsel and those that are not represented by counsel. We need to find out who is waiving counsel and when. The shackling rule becomes effective on October 1st.</p> <p>Pam noted that October is <i>Youth Justice Awareness</i> month and perhaps UBJJ could prepare a media event for it. Pam has the website link promoting <i>Youth Justice Awareness</i> month and will forward it to Cuong. Toni Gray mentioned that she is screening the documentary film titled <i>Paper Tigers</i> which follows four teens who attend Lincoln High School in Walla Walla, Washington. Lincoln was the first high school in the country to integrate trauma-informed care and resilience-building practices, which resulted in an 85 percent decline in suspensions and a 40% decline in expulsions after the first year. After four years, suspensions dropped 90 percent, expulsions dropped to zero, and graduation rates increased five-fold. We will see if we can get the Utah Film Society to sponsor the film.</p> <p>Christian Sarver and Erin Becker Worwood from the Utah Criminal Justice Center (UCJC) presented <i>Student Health and Risk Prevention: 2015 SHARP Results</i>. The survey is administered to youths attending school and is used to track student behaviors.</p>

	<p>Christian first discussed Antisocial Behavior data as compared to past years (2011 and 2013). She then discussed statistics on recent substance use, e-cigarette use, 30-day marijuana use and prescription drug use. Statistics followed on risk factors, attitudes favorable to antisocial behaviors, perceived risk of drug use, depressive symptoms, and intention to use drugs. She concluded with protective factors. A few notable findings from the data show that e-cigarette use, low commitment to school and rates of carrying a handgun are increasing. Cuong will send the full PowerPoint presentation to the Board.</p>
Agenda Item	Review UBJJ's Three-Year Strategic Plan (tape 1:03)
Notes	<p>Priorities – Cuong would like for others to see the Utah Board of Juvenile Justice as the authority or expert on juvenile justice. To be effective, we need a clear vision of what we need to work on next year. The 2015 SHARP data presentation is part of the information for Board members to determine 2016's priorities. Beyond providing grants, what other areas of the Juvenile Justice System does the Board want to make an impact? This question will be part the agenda for the 2015 Annual meeting.</p> <p>Budget – Cuong discussed the FY2015 Title II Formula Estimated Budget Allocation, which is \$442,349. There is \$65,327 set aside for delinquency prevention, \$106,000 for compliance monitoring, \$85,787 for DMC, \$45,000 for Indian Tribe programs, \$22,000 for jail removal, \$54,000 for juvenile justice system improvement, \$44,235 for planning and administration, and \$20,000 for State Advisory Group allocation. Delinquency prevention is the only allocation that is available for award as grants. Other categories are for on-going expenses.</p>
Agenda Item	JJS Updates (tape 1:17)
Notes	<p>Debbie Whitlock reported that JJS assumed operations of the Farmington Bay Youth Center on September 1st. They hired 106 new employees in 30 days. Genesis has been moved to a wing of the detention center at Salt Lake Valley Detention. The Gemstone girls program is still operating. Observation and Assessment has been eliminated from Farmington and will be moved to Ogden. The Mill Creek female secure care unit will be moving to Farmington Bay. Work continues on standardizing mental health screenings and how we share information with other agencies. JJS is working on a long term project with the Juvenile Court to develop a detention risk assessment. We are also improving contract language around evidence based practices. Clinicians have been added to most of the early detention centers.</p>
Agenda Item	2015 Annual Meeting Agenda (tape 1:24)
Notes	<p>Dr. Lisa Hutchinson from OJJDP's Training and Technical Assistance will facilitate the annual meeting and talk about SAG's roles and responsibilities relative to JJDPA. We will also hear a systemic priorities update from JJS, Juvenile Court and DCFS. The Board will look closely at the most recent SHARP data and find areas of focus, should additional funding become available.</p>
Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting is the Annual Meeting from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Thursday, October 15, 2015, Utah State Capitol Complex, East Building, Copper Room.</p>

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